



## **2005 General Obligation Bond Program / 2005-2014 Decade Plan**

The 2005 General Obligation Bond election questions, including all projects for each question, is also available on the City's web site. The address is <[www.cabq.gov/cip/planning](http://www.cabq.gov/cip/planning)>. You may also access the full 2005-2014 Decade Plan at the same site. If you have any questions, or would like a presentation on the capital program, please contact Barbara Taylor, Manager Capital Planning at 768-3849 or <[btaylor@cabq.gov](mailto:btaylor@cabq.gov)>.

### **2005 General Obligation Bond Program by Purpose**

#### **Fire, Police and Emergency Management Bonds**

*Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$6,565,000 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, study, construct, modernize, automate, renovate, rehabilitate, recondition, landscape, furnish, enhance and otherwise improve, and to acquire land, vehicles, apparatus, and equipment for the municipal office of emergency management, police and fire department facilities?*

Facility Study: Communications Center	\$100,000
Land Acquisition for Station 22	\$500,000
Marked Police Vehicles	\$3,000,000
Radio Frequency (RF) Infrastructure for Data	\$2,500,000
Sixth Area Command	\$400,000
1% for Public Art	\$65,000
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$6,565,000</u></b>

#### **Senior, Family, Community Center and Community Enhancement Project Bonds**

*Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$10,963,550 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, demolish, equip, renovate, rehabilitate, expand, repair, study, landscape, streetscape, enhance and otherwise improve, and to acquire land for City-owned community centers including those for families, youth and senior citizens; and for community enhancement projects?*

Bear Canyon Senior Center	\$10,000
Community and Senior Center Improvements - District 6	\$90,000
Community Enhancements - District 1	\$50,000
Community Revitalization Set-Aside: FCSD	\$4,000,000
Downtown Metropolitan Redevelopment Area	\$150,000
Heights Community Center: Preservation and Rehab.	\$1,000,000
La Mesa Affordable Housing - District 6	\$55,000
Los Candelarias Village Center	\$200,000
Near Heights Metropolitan Redevelopment Area (Trumbull/La Mesa Area)	\$1,000,000
Neighborhood Facilities - District 3	\$175,000
Public Facilities - District 2	\$100,000
Rehabilitate Department of Senior Affairs Senior Centers	\$200,000
Renovations and Additions: Existing FCSD Facilities	\$300,000
Security Improvements and Major Rehabilitation for FCSD	\$250,000
Thomas Bell Community Center Gym	\$2,000,000
Thomas Bell Community Center Renovation / Improvements	\$200,000
Vehicle Replacement - FCSD	\$75,000
West Side Community Center	\$1,000,000
1% for Public Art	\$108,550
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$10,963,550</u></b>



**Parks and Recreation Bonds**

*Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$30,677,235 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, rehabilitate, renovate, expand, furnish, landscape, study, protect, enhance and otherwise improve, and to acquire land, vehicles and equipment for park and recreational facilities, including public parks and facilities within those parks, swimming pools, tennis courts, open space, bikeways, bosque lands and trails?*

Albuquerque Tennis Complex	\$1,300,000
Balloon Fiesta Park Improvements	\$5,900,000
Bosque Restoration and Revitalization	\$200,000
Community Park Development	\$3,000,000
Facility Improvements and Equipment - District 2	\$150,000
Improvements to Paths and Trails (Open Space) - District 8	\$50,000
Los Altos Park – District 9	\$50,000
Neighborhood Park Development	\$3,000,000
Open Space Facility Renovation	\$200,000
Open Space Land Acquisition	\$3,750,000
Park Improvements and Amenities - District 1	\$650,000
Park Improvements and Amenities - District 2	\$400,000
Park Improvements and Amenities - District 3	\$201,000
Park Improvements and Amenities - District 4	\$506,000
Park Improvements and Amenities - District 5	\$500,000
Park Improvements and Amenities - District 6	\$301,500
Park Improvements and Amenities - District 7	\$500,000
Park Improvements and Amenities - District 8	\$200,000
Park Improvements - District 9	\$300,000
Park Management: Urban Forest Improvements	\$500,000
Park Renovation: Water Conservation	\$1,500,000
Pat Hurley Park, Phase 2 - Hillside Development	\$500,000
Piedras Marcadas Pueblo Restoration	\$250,000
Roosevelt Park	\$2,000,000
Shooting Range Improvements	\$15,000
Softball Field Renovation	\$500,000
Swimming Pool Renovation	\$2,000,000
Tennis Court Improvements	\$150,000
TreeCentennial - District 6	\$50,000
TreeCentennial - District 7	\$50,000
TreeCentennial - District 9	\$50,000
Vehicle & Equipment Replacement	\$1,650,000
1% for Public Art	\$303,735
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$30,677,235</u></b>

**Public Facilities, Equipment and System Modernization Bonds**

*Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$9,166,500 of its general obligation bonds to equip, improve, acquire, design, survey, develop, construct, rehabilitate, renovate, modernize, expand, enhance, upgrade and otherwise improve public buildings, facilities and systems?*

Albuquerque Geographic Information System	\$400,000
Community Events Civic Plaza Event Upgrade	\$25,000
Community Events Equipment (Cultural Services Department)	\$50,000
Emergency Business Continuity	\$250,000
Financial Performance Management, Phase II / Replace Accounting System	\$4,000,000
KiMo Theater Auditorium and Stage Rehabilitation	\$125,000
Kiva Citizen	\$500,000
Lighting & HVAC Performance Upgrades to City Facilities	\$200,000
New Roofs for City Facilities	\$150,000
Plaza del Sol and other City Building Improvements and Rehabilitation	\$1,000,000
Renovate Kennel 3, EASC	\$400,000
Security Improvements & Rehabilitation	\$200,000
Vehicle Replacement - Animal Services/Environmental Health	\$250,000
Vehicle Replacement - Code Inspectors/Planning	\$200,000
Vehicle Replacement - DMD	\$150,000
1% for Energy Conservation	\$1,187,500
1% for Public Art	\$79,000
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$9,166,500</u></b>

**Library Bonds**

*Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$3,853,150 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, reconstruct, renovate, rehabilitate, modernize, automate, upgrade, landscape and otherwise improve, and to acquire books, media and equipment for public libraries?*

Libraries - District 6	\$50,000
Libraries - District 7	\$150,000
Libraries - District 9	\$100,000
Library Building Renovation	\$1,350,000
Library Improvements - District 4	\$15,000
Library Materials and Automation	\$1,400,000
Special Collections Library: Renovations / Historic Preservation	\$750,000
1% for Public Art	\$38,150
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$3,853,150</u></b>

**Street Bonds**

*Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$39,492,515 of its general obligation bonds to study, design, develop, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, renovate, automate, modernize, sign, enhance, landscape and otherwise improve, and to acquire land and equipment for municipal streets and roads, interstate roadways and interchanges, medians, trails, bikeways, walkways, sidewalks, railroad crossings and bridges?*

Advance Right-of-Way Acquisition (Streets)	\$500,000
Advance Trans. Planning & Eng. (Streets)	\$750,000
Albuquerque Traffic Management System	\$400,000
Atrisco Drive	\$450,000
Bridge Repair	\$200,000
Coors / I-40 Improvements	\$1,000,000
East Downtown (EDO)	\$100,000
Eubank Boulevard North Widening	\$900,000
Great Streets	\$3,200,000
Highland / Central Metropolitan Redevelopment Area	\$500,000
Intersection Level of Service (LoS) Study	\$300,000
Intersection Signalization	\$1,300,000
Louisiana Boulevard Widening	\$250,000
Major Paving Rehabilitation	\$4,800,000
Median Landscaping, Sidewalks, & Interstate Enhancements	\$9,200,000
Median Renovation: Water Conservation	\$750,000
Neighborhood Enhancements - District 7	\$300,000
Neighborhood Improvements / Enhancements - District 6	\$353,500
NW Arterial Roadway Improvements	\$1,000,000
Public Works Funding (Streets)	\$450,000
Reconstruction Major Intersections	\$1,500,000
Reconstruction Major Streets	\$1,500,000
Replace Street Maintenance Heavy Equipment	\$500,000
Safety & Intersection Improvements	\$370,000
Sidewalk / Street Improvements - District 6	\$85,000
Street Projects - District 1	\$300,000
Street Projects - District 2	\$350,000
Street Projects - District 3	\$624,000
Street Projects - District 4	\$479,000
Street Projects - District 5	\$500,000
Street Projects - District 8	\$690,000
Street Projects - District 9	\$500,000
SW Arterial Roadway Improvements	\$1,000,000
Traffic Sign Replacement / Pavement Markings	\$150,000
Trails and Bikeways	\$1,350,000
Unser Boulevard North, Central to County Line	\$1,000,000
West Side BRT Queue Jumper	\$1,500,000
1% for Public Art	\$391,015
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$39,492,515</u></b>

**Storm Sewer System Bonds**

*Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$8,080,000 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, renovate, expand, enhance, study, monitor and otherwise improve, and to acquire land and equipment for the storm sewer system?*

Advanced Planning, Engineering and Rights-of-Way: Storm Drainage Rehabilitation	\$180,000
Dip Replacement / Crossing (Wyoming & La Cueva)	\$535,000
Hotel Circle, I-40 to Lomas Blvd.	\$1,335,000
Moon Street Storm Drain, Central to I-40	\$1,420,000
NPDES Storm Water Quality Enhancement, Monitoring, and Testing	\$220,000
Osuna Blvd. Storm Drainage Rehabilitation	\$710,000
San Mateo Place Storm Drain North of I-40	\$1,380,000
San Mateo Storm Drainage Rehabilitation	\$1,065,000
Storm Drainage Rehabilitations	\$265,000
Storm Water Pump Station Rehabilitations	\$445,000
West Central Storm Drain Rehabilitation	\$445,000
1% for Public Art	\$80,000
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$8,080,000</u></b>

**Public Transportation Bonds**

*Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$6,110,500 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, rehabilitate, renovate, recondition, modernize, automate, study, furnish, enhance and otherwise improve, and to acquire land, vehicles and equipment for public transportation facilities?*

Parking Facilities Rehabilitation & Upgrade	\$500,000
Rapid Transit Project	\$2,550,000
Revenue Vehicle Replacement / Expansion (Transit)	\$2,500,000
Transit Technology Upgrade	\$500,000
1% for Public Art	\$60,500
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$6,110,500</u></b>

**Zoo and Biological Park Bonds**

*Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$3,989,500 of its general obligation bonds to study, design, develop, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, renovate, repair, refurbish, modernize, expand, enhance and otherwise improve, and to acquire exhibits, furnishings and equipment for the municipal zoo, botanic garden and aquarium?*

Asian Experience	\$1,000,000
Japanese Garden, Phase 2	\$1,200,000
Renovation and Repair (Bio-Park)	\$1,200,000
South Pacific Ocean Experience	\$300,000
Vehicle & Equipment Replacement	\$250,000
1% for Public Art	\$39,500
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$3,989,500</u></b>

**Museum Bonds**

*Shall the City of Albuquerque issue \$2,227,050 of its general obligation bonds to design, develop, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, renovate, modernize, expand, enhance, upgrade, equip and furnish, and collect and acquire artifacts and exhibits, and otherwise improve City-owned and operated museums?*

Albuquerque Museum Collection Development	\$500,000
Albuquerque Museum Development, Phase 2	\$500,000
Albuquerque Museum History Exhibit Renovation	\$825,000
Balloon Museum Collection Development	\$150,000
Balloon Museum Equipment	\$180,000
Explora Museum	\$50,000
1% for Public Art	\$22,050
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$2,227,050</u></b>



## **GO Bond Frequently Asked Questions**

### **1. What are General Obligation Bonds?**

General Obligation Bonds (G.O. Bonds) are bonds backed by the full faith and credit of the City of Albuquerque. They may be redeemed by any regular source of City funding, but as a policy matter are generally redeemed by property taxes paid to the City.

### **2. Will my property tax rate go up to pay for the General Obligation Bonds?**

**NO!** The City property tax rate will not increase. New bonds are issued as older bonds are retired, thus keeping the City's property tax rate essentially constant. In fact, due to low interest rates, the cost to the taxpayers for the issuance of bonds has been at historically low levels, enabling the City to pay down bond indebtedness in an average of 8 years rather than the usual 10 years.

The City receives about 30% of the property taxes paid by the typical Albuquerque homeowner. The remaining 70% is allocated to other governmental and educational entities which include the County Commission, TVI, AMAFCA, APS, and UNM.

### **3. But my property taxes are going up. How come?**

Either governmental entities other than the City of Albuquerque have increased the tax rate over the years and/or the assessed taxable value of the property has increased. As noted above, it is the policy of the City of Albuquerque to keep the City's property tax rate essentially at a constant level by paying off old bonds before issuing new ones.

### **4. Will my property taxes go down if I do not vote for the General Obligation Bonds?**

There will be a minimal decrease in property taxes if the bonds are not approved by the voters - about \$12 per month for a home valued at \$150,000; about \$8 per month for a home valued at \$100,000. More details concerning the debt service levy and the impact on the average homeowner are attached at the end of this document.

### **5. Briefly, what does bond funding provide for the citizens of Albuquerque?**

General obligation bonds fund a host of capital improvements that directly affect the basic needs and quality of life of every Albuquerque resident. Public safety equipment, including police and fire facilities and vehicles; street and storm drainage improvements; public transportation improvements; parks, recreation and open space facilities; cultural institutions, including the zoo, aquarium, botanic garden and museums; senior centers and meal sites; and community centers; all these capital facilities and more are funded by general obligation bonds. Projects may cost millions of dollars and be funded over several bond cycles, or may cost a few thousand dollars and be funded within one bond program.

### **6. I hear the terms Bond Question, Bond Purpose and Bond Issue. What do they mean?**

Generally, they all refer to the same thing. A bond question (purpose, issue) is a group of like projects gathered together in one election question called a "purpose."

In other words, projects related to parks and recreation are grouped together to form one purpose; projects related to streets are grouped together to form another purpose; and so on. Voters are asked to consider each purpose and to decide whether or not to approve the proposed funding.



**7. When City voters approve one purpose, can the money be used for another purpose?**

**NO!** Occasionally, however, money for projects identified within one purpose may be reallocated to another project within the same purpose, provided that the City Council holds a public hearing and then gives their formal approval to the reallocation. Stated another way, funding approved for the Streets purpose may not be reallocated to the Parks purpose, or funding approved for the Zoo and BioPark purpose may not be reallocated to the Storm Drainage purpose.

**8. Why are you allowed to move money between or among projects within a purpose?**

Projects that are listed within a particular purpose constitute a plan, approved by the City Council, to spend capital money after it is authorized by the voters. Some projects within the plan are well known and understood, but in other cases planning may happen well in advance of execution. Precise costs may be difficult to predict, or a particular project may not be feasible after closer examination. Without the ability to reallocate money between or among projects within a purpose, management and implementation of the capital program would be hamstrung. But, remember, this money may only be reallocated after the City Council has a public hearing and gives its formal approval.

**9. OK, now that I understand projects, purpose and bond questions, how many bond questions are on the general election ballot on Tuesday, October 4, 2005.**

Thanks for asking. As shown below, there are eleven questions that will be put to the voters ranging from Street bonds at about \$40 million to Library bonds at just under \$4 million.

<b>BOND QUESTION (PURPOSE)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
<b>Fire, Police, and Emergency Management Bonds</b>	<b>\$6,565,000</b>
<b>Senior, Family, Community Center &amp; Community Enhancement Project Bonds</b>	<b>\$10,963,550</b>
<b>Parks and Recreation Bonds (includes Open Space)</b>	<b>\$30,677,235</b>
<b>Public Facilities, Equipment and System Modernization Bonds</b>	<b>\$9,166,500</b>
<b>Library Bonds</b>	<b>\$3,853,150</b>
<b>Street Bonds</b>	<b>\$39,492,515</b>
<b>Public Transportation Bonds</b>	<b>\$6,110,500</b>
<b>Storm Sewer System Bonds</b>	<b>\$8,080,000</b>
<b>Zoo and Biological Park Bonds</b>	<b>\$3,989,500</b>
<b>Museum Bonds</b>	<b>\$2,227,050</b>
<b>TOTAL OF ALL BOND QUESTIONS</b>	<b>\$121,125,000</b>

**10. How can I find out about the projects within each purpose?**

Easy, just call the Capital Implementation Program of the City of Albuquerque at **768-3830** and they will mail you a complete list. Or you may access the list on the City's web site at [www.cabq.gov/cip/planning](http://www.cabq.gov/cip/planning).



**11. And, by the way, how are these projects decided on?**

Good question. It is actually pretty complicated and time consuming. The Capital Implementation Program administers a two-year-long process that begins with a resolution adopted by the City Council establishing criteria against which all projects are required to be evaluated. Each City department submits an application for projects and these applications go through a rigorous review process that includes staff review, rating and ranking; Senior City management review and recommendation to the Mayor; the Mayor's recommendation to the Environmental Planning Commission; and the City Council's review and amendment.

There is public participation at various points in this process. First, when the City Council adopted the criteria resolution, they established the Council-Neighborhood Set-Aside program, which provided that \$1 million would be set-aside in each Council District for projects recommended to the Councilors by the public in their districts. The Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) is required to hold a public hearing and the City Council is also required to hold at least one public hearing. During this cycle, EPC held its public hearing in March 2005 and the City Council held two public hearings during June 2005.

**12. Are funds derived from the bonds that are sold ever used to leverage federal, state, private or other local funds?**

**YES** - often! G.O. bonds are often used as participating funds to obtain additional funding from all the sources you mentioned, especially for very expensive public works projects.

**13. Are G.O. bond revenues used right away? Normally how long does it take to complete a project?**

Projects usually take about two years to complete, once enough money has been identified. Some large, multi-million dollar projects may take years to assemble the funding and complete construction. For example, large arterial street projects like McMahon Blvd; or a brand new community center like Taylor Ranch Multi-Generational Center are typically funded over several bond cycles. The goal is to have a given bond cycle's project completed, or nearing completion, by the time the following bond cycle is ready for bond issuance. However, it is very difficult to achieve this goal for all projects.

**14. You have used streets purpose projects as an example several times, but I remember that I voted for a quarter-cent gross receipts tax to pay for street projects. Am I paying for streets twice?**

**NO!** The primary use for the ¼ cent funds is to maintain and repair streets. The City has grown so fast, particularly in the last 10 to 15 years, that the funding available from the G.O. bonds was not sufficient to meet all the maintenance requirements and the demand for new facilities. So the voters approved the ¼ cent tax to allow the Public Works Division of the Department of Municipal Development to implement a major rehabilitation effort focused primarily on the older parts of the City that had the greatest need for repair. General Obligation bond money supplements the street rehabilitation effort and also funds: sidewalk repair and expansion; median improvements; traffic signal upgrades; neighborhood traffic improvements; railroad crossing improvements; bike lanes; and some major road projects like the recently completed expansion of Gibson Blvd between I-25 and Girard on the east side of the City, or the expansion of Golf Course Road and McMahon Blvd on the west side of the City.

Quarter-cent funding also supports public transportation and bike lanes, but the vast majority of the money is devoted to street rehabilitation. As with G.O. bond funding, the City Council reviews and approves all proposed ¼ cent projects.

**15. We vote on G.O. Bonds every two years. Why is this necessary?**

The two-year cycle is not a requirement, but the City has found that the biennial time frame is a good one, because it provides for a steady funding approach to the capital program. Some communities use a five-year time frame. The City believes that the biennial approach allows adequate time for planning, staff review, decision-making by elected officials, public participation, bond election, and sale of the bonds. It is also true that this schedule permits a relatively consistent and predictable stream of projects available for bid to the private sector.

**16. Do the voters generally approve the bonds and does the City have any trouble selling them?**

Yes, the voters do and no, the City does not.

Despite the fact that the Street bond question was defeated in 2003, the voters of the City of Albuquerque have been consistently supportive of the general obligation bond questions. Excluding streets, in 2003 sixty percent of the voters approved all the other general obligation bond ballot questions. And, sixty-one percent of the voters approved a revised street bond question in 2004. More details concerning voter approval of G.O. bonds are attached at the end of this document.

As shown below, general obligation bonds of the City of Albuquerque have traditionally maintained an excellent bond rating and continue to do so. High bond ratings mean low interest rates when the City borrows funds, and low interest rates held to ensure that the City's bonds are well received by issuers and purchasers.

Standard and Poors	AA with a stable outlook
Moody's	Aa <sub>3</sub> with a stable outlook
Fitch	AA with a stable outlook

The City maintains these high ratings for several reasons. First, the City redeems its G.O. bonds in a relatively short time frame — within 10 years. In fact in recent years, the City has begun redeeming bonds sold for equipment within 5 years, sometimes in as little as 1 year. For example, bonds sold for the last large purchase of police vehicles were redeemed in 1 year.

In addition, the City is perceived by all three credit rating agencies to have strong financial management; a favorable debt profile; an orderly capital planning process and, as a result, a manageable capital plan; and finally, a diverse economy.

**CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE****There is NO City Tax Rate Increase associated with the G.O Bond Election**

<b>Estimated Residential Tax Impact <sup>1</sup>if 2005 G.O. Bonds are not Approved</b>			
<b>Full Value</b>	<b>Assessed Value(1/3)</b>	<b>Additional Annual Cost/(Savings)</b>	<b>Additional Monthly Cost/ (Savings)</b>
\$75,000	\$25,000	(\$71.18)	(\$5.93)
\$100,000	\$33,333	(\$94.91)	(\$7.91)
\$150,000	\$50,000	(\$142.37)	(\$11.86)
\$175,000	\$58,333	(\$166.10)	(\$13.84)
\$200,000	\$66,667	(\$189.82)	(\$15.82)
\$225,000	\$75,000	(\$213.55)	(\$17.80)
\$250,000	\$83,333	(\$237.28)	(\$19.77)
\$300,000	\$100,000	(\$284.74)	(\$23.73)

**(Footnotes)**

<sup>1</sup>By State law the mill rate would not change until about October 2006, so the savings would not occur until the tax year beginning in November 2006.

**General Obligation Bond Questions 1995 through 2004**  
**Results of Vote**

<b>Bond Question</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
	<b>% in Favor</b>	<b>% in Favor</b>	<b>% in Favor</b>	<b>% in Favor</b>	<b>% in Favor</b>	<b>% in Favor</b>
Fire Protection Bonds	70%	76%	68%	81%	66%	
Senior, Family & Community Center Bonds		74%	58%	70%	60%	
Police Bonds	64%	73%	67%	78%	62%	
Parks & Recreation Bonds	63%	72%	59%	69%	60%	
Public Facility, Equipment & System Modernization Bonds	58%	58%	51%	61%	51%	
Library Bonds	69%	77%	67%	76%	68%	
Museum Bonds	64%	66%	58%	64%		
Science Center Bonds <sup>2</sup>	55%					
Street Bonds <sup>3</sup>	67%	74%	64%	74%	<b>45%</b>	61%
Public Transit Bonds	61%	70%	58%	66%	56%	
Storm Sewer System Bonds	67%	74%	67%	73%	62%	
Zoo & Biological Park Bonds	69%	70%	64%	73%	65%	
<b><u>Total All Bonds</u></b>	<b><u>64%</u></b>	<b><u>71%</u></b>	<b><u>62%</u></b>	<b><u>71%</u></b>	<b><u>60%</u></b>	<b><u>61%</u></b>

**Notes**

- 1. The election in 2004 was a special municipal bond election for the revised street bond question only.*
- 2. Science Center Bonds were proposed in 1995 only.*
- 3. In 2003 for the first time in the history of Albuquerque, the Street Bond question was failed by the voters; it was revised and placed on the ballot in 2004. The voters passed the revised question 61% for to 39% against.*

# Gearing Up For A Superb Tricentennial Sports Month

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## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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**UNM Rugby Players "ruck" Over A Teammate  
In Preparation For Upcoming Tricentennial Sports Month**

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## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS/NEW OFFICERS

The Office of Neighborhood Coordination "welcomes" new presidents of neighborhood associations and says a "special thank you" to outgoing presidents. Thank you for all your hard work and commitment to the improvement of the life-style of your neighborhood.

### **Neighborhood Association**

Four Hills Village  
Lee Acres  
Osuna Park  
Sun North Estates

### **"Welcome" to Incoming President**

James R. Grout  
Linda McCreary  
Penelope Hoe  
Roger Griffith (new NA)

### **"Thanks" to Outgoing President**

Christina Parlapiano  
Katie Snapp  
Mark J. Fidel

- Santa Barbara-Martineztown Association regained their "Recognized" status on August 31, 2005.
- Hoffmantown Neighborhood Association regained their "Recognized" status on September 7, 2005.
- Vista Grande Neighborhood Association regained their "Recognized" status on September 12, 2005.

## NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION(S)

The *Painted Sky Homeowners Association* is located in *City Council District 1, Police Beat – 139/WS, County Commission District 1*. The contacts for this association are *John Guillen* and *Carleen Shirk*. **Welcome Aboard!!**

The *High Desert Residential Owners Association* is located in *City Council District 8, Police Beat – 533/FH, County Commission District 4&5*. The contacts for this association are *Ray Berg* and *Claudia Carlsen*. **Welcome Aboard!!**

The *Westside Merchants Association* is located in *City Council District 1&3, Police Beat – Various/WS, County Commission District 1&2*. The contacts for this association are *Van Barber* and *Klarissa Pena*. The *Westside Merchants Association* became recognized on 9/2/05. **Welcome Aboard!!**

**Just a Reminder:** We will need the original Annual Report AND a copy of the announcement of your Annual Meeting submitted to our office **before** your Annual Report will be approved for the year. Please call Dalaina at 924-3906 for further information. Please make sure that you have the correct addresses listed for your officers on your Annual Report. Annual Reports for the following months are due:

July Annual Reports are due:	October 1, 2005
August Annual Reports are due:	November 1, 2005
September Annual Reports are due:	December 1, 2005

**ATTENTION:** When submitting your yearly Annual Report please mail to our physical street address below:

Planning Department/Office of Neighborhood Coordination  
Attention: Dalaina Carmona  
600 Second Street NW, Rm. 120 (Basement Level)  
Albuquerque, NM 87102



## Across The City

### PLEASE BCC IT!!

When you e-mail to other neighborhood associations, would you please **BCC** (blind carbon copy) so that addresses are not seen. The message may come in saying to "Undisclosed recipients"—sounds secretive but is positive! The reason to BCC is so that not everyone sees or shares the addresses with unknown people. Some of the association addresses coincide with personal addresses and can set them up for unwanted Spam and viruses - many at one time!

We recently received an e-mail from a representative of an HOA in our political district, which was sent to several associations, with all the addresses blaring! The original cooperative/friendly gesture was blurred when I got upset because of this person's carelessness in addressing the message.

BCCing is as simple as a click of the right button. Ours is in the address book and I guess this varies with different operating systems. Some systems require that the message be sent to an address (such as your own!) before you can BCC all the others. You can CC (carbon copy) those people whose addresses you want shared such as newspapers, City offices, etc.

Check with your computer guru or Help functions to master this thoughtful and very appropriate method of e-mailing. We can help each other, but let's network safely.

Thank you,  
*Eloise Colocho*  
 Towne Park Neighborhood Association  
[www.towneparkna.com](http://www.towneparkna.com)

## Metro Court

### New Judges Begin Work At Metro Court Assignments For Other Judges Also Change



Newly appointed Judges Clyde DeMersseman and Rosemarie Allred are beginning their new jobs at Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court. They were appointed to the bench in early August by Governor Bill Richardson and represent an expansion of Metro Court.



Judge  
 DeMersseman

Judge DeMersseman is assigned to Division 17 will handle a civil docket. He replaces Judge Daniel Ramczyk in the Civil Division and takes over all his cases as of August 1, 2005.

Judge Allred of Division 18 will be assigned to the Criminal Division. She took the bench September 6, 2005.

"I am absolutely delighted that Governor Richardson has chosen such high caliber attorneys to serve on the Metropolitan Court bench. Judges Allred and DeMersseman both



Judge Allred

will make extraordinary contributions to the court and to the community," said Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court Chief Judge Judith Nakamura.

Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court Judges Daniel Ramczyk and Victor Valdez have taken on new assignments within the court, due to the addition of the two additional judges to the Metro Court.

Judge Ramczyk has left the court's Civil Division and moved to the Criminal Division. In addition, he will take on the responsibilities of a DWI/Drug Court. These changes took place at the end of July. Judge Valdez, who serves in the Criminal Division, will begin hearing competency cases and will also serve as the back-up for Judge Kevin Fitzwater's Mental Health Court.

"These judges have volunteered to take on these assignments on top of their regular docket load that is nearing 8,000 cases per judge," said Judge Nakamura. "These are not easy assignments, but very necessary to serve the people of this community."

"Mental health issues are an important concern to our community and we must confront them. This is very clear from recent news events," said Judge Valdez. "I look forward to working on these cases and assisting Judge Fitzwater."

## The Coleman Gallery of Contemporary Art

**Exhibition Title:** Cascade: New Paintings by Annie Nash  
**Exhibition Dates:** October 7-29, 2005  
**Exhibition Reception:** First Friday, October 7, 5 - 8 p.m.  
**Gallery Hours:** Wednesday - Saturday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The paintings in "Cascade" reflect Annie Nash's passion for both the materials and the process of making art. They are filled with rich hues poured, dribbled, sponged and scumbled. Text about events in Indian history floats between layers of paint.

Nash has honored tradition forms, colors, and markings of Coast Salish Indian spirit paddles and has also transformed them through the use of unconventional colors and techniques in an effort to explore and better apprehend their power.

Coleman Gallery Contemporary Art - Nob Hill Art Complex, 100A, 3812 Central Avenue SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108; [colemancontemporary.com](http://colemancontemporary.com), 505-232-0224, 505-238-5071.

## Nob Hill Business Association

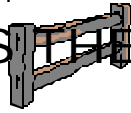
**Who:** Nob Hill Business Association  
**What:** Rummage Sale  
**Where:** 3300 block of Central Avenue NE  
**When:** Sunday, September 25, 2005 - 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
**Benefit:** All proceeds to benefit Habitat For Humanity

For more information please call Beverly at 268-7449.



# NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP

## ACROSS THE FENCE



### Upcoming Tricentennial Sporting Events

*Submitted by Herb Howell, Chairman  
Tricentennial Sports Month Committee*

The celebration of Albuquerque's Three Hundred Years has taken many forms and shapes since April 2005 and the Opening Ceremony's Half Marathon. Our Tricentennial Sports Month is upon us and packed with exciting sporting events!

A great variety of events are coming up for the Sports Month but are not limited to just October, due to the seasonality of sports and sporting events. The following are the Tricentennial events scheduled to coincide with Sports Month:

#### Friday, September 23

University of New Mexico Tricentennial Day on campus and on Johnson Field celebrates a number of activities with a broader scope than sports. Traditional Native American games will be demonstrated with a focus on games played in New Mexico.

#### Saturday, October 1

A Tricentennial Rugby Match pairing two rival Albuquerque Clubs. The Brujos Rugby Club will host the Albuquerque Aardvarks at 1 p.m. at Saint Pius X High School. Admission is **free**.

#### Saturday, October 8

The University of New Mexico Homecoming Football Game will be played against Brigham Young University at Lobo Stadium. The Tricentennial theme will enhance the Homecoming activities with banners, the Tricentennial flag and Lobotron scoreboard announcements.

#### Friday, October 14

The University of New Mexico varsity soccer clubs, both men and women are playing their Tricentennial matches Friday evening. The women will be playing San Diego

State at 5 p.m., and the men will be playing Sacramento State at 7 p.m.

#### Friday, October 22 and Saturday, October 23

The 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Rugby High Desert Classic Tournament will be held over two days at Bullhead Park. Approximately 30 teams from the Southwest and the Rocky Mountain regions will be represented in the two day event which includes both men's and women's collegiate teams.

#### Saturday, October 23

The Annual Duke City Marathon will kick-off at 7 a.m. starting from One Civic Plaza (Third and Roma NW).

#### Friday, October 28

The University of New Mexico football game vs. Colorado State will be played. This is a nationally televised game. The event will be replete with all the banners, flags, speeches and ceremonies. Kick-off is scheduled for 5 p.m. or 6 p.m.

#### Sunday, October 30

Kirtland Air Force Base is sponsoring a "Volksmarch" all day from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the bicycle trails along the Rio Grande beginning at the Albuquerque Aquarium.

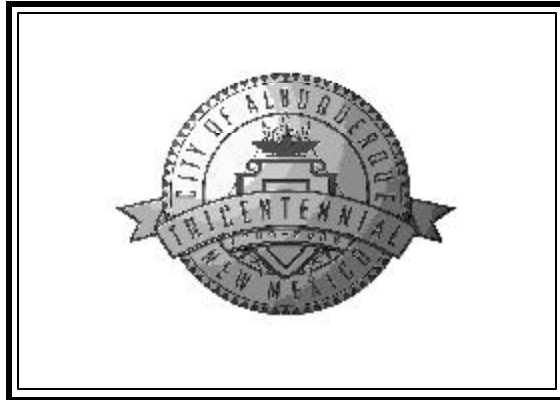
Other events, still in the planning stages, include an International Rugby match between the United States of America and Spain and a bowling tournament set for time during the spring of 2006.

#### Sunday, April 23, 2006

The Second Annual Half Marathon, in conjunction with the April 23, 2006 Celebration, is also in the planning stages.

For more information on Tricentennial Sporting Events, call Herb Howell at 924-3905 or email at <[hhowell@cabq.gov](mailto:hhowell@cabq.gov)>.

**Don't Miss Out!**





NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



**FROM THE  
MANAGER'S  
DESK**

**Herb Howell**

**A Sense of our own Identity:**

*WE* are the community. When people align with their city, their state, and their country, it starts with a basic notion of where we come from. In many parts of the USA, people who have lived in a certain house or neighborhood, and have done so for generations, are the common thread that binds a particular neighborhood together. For example, locals clearly identify with East Boston, Squirrel Hill in Pittsburgh, Goose Hollow in Portland or Hillcrest in San Diego.

Cities experiencing explosive growth, like throughout the Western United States, have little such identity. Everyone is new to the community and is from somewhere else. Albuquerque is a combination of the two scenarios. Parts of Albuquerque are populated with people living in homes built by their grandfathers. Other areas, of the city, are full of people moving into new homes and coming from other parts of the City or from out of state. The sense of community has yet to be developed. How will that happen?

Communities tend to develop around common threads that create a sense of bonding. A church, a school, or a community center tends to establish some connecting links within a community. Common shopping areas, a park or set of shops all add to the mix. The informal boundaries develop on their own almost and resist being defined by outside and often artificial entities. Dividing lines like major highways, or collector streets tend to separate neighborhoods; especially if you can not directly cross such boundaries easily. Rivers, drainage ditches, and railroad tracks also tend to keep separation and thus a dividing line between neighborhoods.

The unseen informal human element is a magical sort of quality that draws people together maybe over a common issue like

crime, park use, or political boundaries. Many elements contribute. In Nob Hill for example, it is mostly a major, pedestrian friendly street that supports a large number of retail shops and services that tend to make a sense of identity for retail customers and residents alike. The foot traffic seems to create a closer sense of belonging to something common and shared.

I liken a neighborhood to the old village concept where key services and businesses are within a short walk from one another and do not require the separation created by the automobile to get business done. I immediately think of the little old, grey villages of North Wales who have operated this way for hundreds of years and people honestly look out for one another. It takes noticing, caring, and effort to build an effective and vital neighborhood.

Please do your part by meeting neighbors, offering a helping hand when possible, and observing the children coming to and from school everyday. Learn people's patterns as they grow to know you better as well. You might like them and learn from their lives as well.



**Going, Going, Gone!**

Mayor Martin J. Chávez at the helm of the "destructo-mobile" that helped bring down the vermin infested Route 66 Motel, formerly located at 8100 Central SE. The Route 66 Motel is one of three older nuisance property motels demolished, over the past 3 years, through the efforts of the City's Safe City Strike Force.



**Neighborhood  
Workshop Corner**

**Neighborhood Association  
Patrol Training**

**Saturday, October 8, 2005**

**9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

**APD Training Academy**

**5412 Second Street NW**

**(just south of Montano at Second,  
east side)**

Community Policing is a philosophy, which recognizes the mutual dependence and shared responsibility of the police and community in making Albuquerque safer and more livable. Neighborhood Association Patrols are not in and of themselves community policing, but one tool that may be selected by neighborhoods to maintain or improve safety in the Neighborhood.

**Effective Meetings Workshop**

**Tuesday, October 25, 2005**

**6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

**Plaza del Sol Hearing Room**

Conducting effective meetings begins well before the meeting date. Prior to the meeting the leader sets the agenda, established goals for the meetings, review past minutes . . . At the meeting the leaders run the meeting by sticking to the agenda . . . After the meeting the evaluation takes place - did we follow the agenda . . . ?

This is but a brief outline of what will be covered in this workshop - come prepared to discuss and share what makes your meetings successful.

Registration for all workshops closes at 12 noon the day before the training. You may register for workshops by calling ONC at 924-3914, by fax at 924-3913 or on-line at <<http://www.cabq.gov/planning/nbr/workshop.html>>. Please pre-register.

**To accommodate all workshop participants, you must be pre-registered to attend these workshops. Registration includes your name, address, telephone number and association. We appreciate your consideration and cooperation. Workshops are held in the Plaza Del Sol Building Hearing Room #160, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW, unless indicated otherwise.**

## NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



### A Message From The Mayor

Mayor Martin J. Chávez

#### Volunteerism on the MOVE

Make a Difference Day (MDD) is coming this October to highlight opportunities for people to get more involved in volunteer activities that support the community in a wide variety of ways.

This is the nation's largest day of volunteering and is sponsored by USA Weekend magazine in partnership with the Points of Light Foundation. Last year, the Junior League of Albuquerque received national recognition.

This year's Make a Difference Day(s) will occur on October 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, which may still be too short to highlight the great variety of ways in which we could all do more for our neighbors, our city and ourselves.

From literacy and the environment to recreation and the arts, with hundreds of other possibilities as well, opportunities abound to connect your own interests or expertise with a worthy community initiative that could really benefit from your help.

Last year, we merged **VOLUNTEER** Albuquerque with city hall and created **MOVE**, the Mayor's Office of Volunteerism and Engagement, to provide aid and assistance in mobilizing people and businesses toward volunteer activities throughout the city.

By visiting <[www.cabq.gov/move](http://www.cabq.gov/move)>, you can link to a searchable database that will custom tailor for you a list of possible volunteer activities by issue and geographical proximity. You can also sign up to receive notice of exciting new and one-time volunteer opportunities.

If you are already involved in your community and want to make your program or initiative better known to the universe of potential volunteers, you are encouraged to post to the website as well.

**MOVE** promotes and supports effective volunteerism, serves as a resource and coordination center for volunteers, and works as a catalyst in building coalitions and community partnerships. If you do not have ready web access, you can also reach Debra Saine directly in my office at **768-3004**.

I am very upbeat about the overall direction our city has begun to take and am very excited that our vast reservoir of talented people will now have an enhanced chance to better engage the arts, social services, educational and humanitarian projects that can so greatly benefit from their time and expertise.

My own volunteer activities now include teaching a class at UNM about career options. As much as I hope it is of benefit to today's young people who are contemplating their future careers and contributions to society, I also realize that it is I who benefit at least as much from such a challenging and exciting volunteer experience.

Most of you are probably already fairly active in the community. And maybe your plate is already pretty much full. But my hunch is you also know others who could be more involved. So I hope you'll take the link to **MOVE** and share it with those you know who could utilize this terrific new resource and get plugged in to more of the possibilities in the realm of volunteerism.

It is an endeavor well worth everything we can bring to it.

#### Remembering 9/11/01



AFD Sgt. Kevin Rowe  
Sings The National Anthem  
On Civic Plaza  
9/11/05

#### Tricentennial Update

Albuquerque is celebrating its 300th birthday. In conjunction with the City's Tricentennial, the University of New Mexico is planning and organizing special events to salute the momentous 18-month commemoration.

The "UNM Salutes the Albuquerque Tricentennial Planning Committee" will follow the Albuquerque Tricentennial schedule of monthly themes for the UNM events. The themes are located at the City's website at

<[www.albuquerque300.org](http://www.albuquerque300.org)>.

The Tricentennial provides the UNM community with a chance to showcase the university's people, programs and places to local residents as well as visitors from around the world. Festivities will include children's activities, demonstrations, hands-on activities, non-invasive health assessments, lectures, academic programs, poetry slams, live entertainment, campus tours — you name it!

Our Planning Committee is concentrating much of its efforts organizing a campus-wide festival, scheduled for **Friday, September 23, 2005 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.** The theme is "*UNM Salutes the Albuquerque Tricentennial, Building the Future*".

The Committee seeks participation from UNM colleges, departments and from community organizations connected to UNM. This will be another way to showcase UNM's research activities, cultural opportunities, student talent, athletic programs and outreach efforts. Join us in wishing Albuquerque a happy 300th! For additional information call **277-1813** or one of the UNM Salutes the Albuquerque Tricentennial Planning Committee members.





## City Council

Council staff may be reached at **768-3100**. The agenda for an upcoming council meeting may be checked by calling **768-3100** after 1 p.m. on the Friday immediately prior to the council meeting. The City Council's fax number is **768-3227**. Agendas, Action Items and Summaries are available on the Council's webpage at <[www.cabq.gov/council/counsched.html](http://www.cabq.gov/council/counsched.html)>.

### A Message From Your City Council

On **October 4, 2005**, five Albuquerque City Council positions (Districts One, Three, Five, Seven and Nine) and the City of Albuquerque's Mayoral position will be placed before the voters of Albuquerque in the 2005 municipal election. However, two ballot initiatives will also be decided upon by Albuquerque voters as a result of City Council action, as well as another initiative which was placed on the ballot as a result of a petition signature collection drive by local community organizations. The three propositions to be voted upon by Albuquerque voters are as follows:

a) City Councilor Eric Griego sponsored R-05-298, known as the "Open and Ethical Elections" initiative, would establish voluntary limits on campaign spending and equal public financing of campaigns for City elections. Participating candidates would receive a designated amount of funding for their campaign and agree to not accept or spend private campaign contributions. In order to qualify for public campaign financing, candidates for Mayor must obtain \$5.00 contributions from a minimum of 1% of registered City voters, and City Council candidates must obtain \$5.00 contributions from a minimum of 1% of the City voters registered in their respective district. Funding for participating candidates' campaigns will be derived from a fund representing one-tenth of 1% of the City's General Fund and also from voluntary contributions from members of the public. Participating candidates will receive funding equal to \$1.00 per registered City voter in the Mayor's race and \$1.00 per registered City voter residing in the respective City Council candidate's district.

b) City Councilor Sally Mayer sponsored R-05-295, requiring photo voter identification for Albuquerque municipal elections. The proposition, if approved by voters, would require voters to present

one current valid identification card containing the voter's name and photograph. Such cards might include any cards issued by a government agency, driver's licenses, student identification cards, commercial transaction cards such as credit or debit cards, insurance cards, union cards, professional association cards or the voter identification card issued by the City Clerk. Voters unable to provide photo identification will be allowed to vote via a provisional ballot, but only upon affirming under penalty of perjury in an affidavit provided by the City Clerk that he or she is a registered voter listed on the voter registration rolls at the precinct where he or she will vote. As a result of the initiative, voter photo identification cards will be issued by the City Clerk without charge to any voter who presents any two of the following identification documents: a state issued identification card, social security card, student identification card, library card, utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck.

c) Community organizers surpassed the 13,444 signatures required to place the Albuquerque Living Wage Initiative on the October 4<sup>th</sup> ballot. If approved by voters, the Albuquerque Living Wage Initiative will require Albuquerque businesses to pay a minimum wage of \$7.50 per hour for regular employees and \$4.50 per hour for tipped employees. The ordinance exempts businesses with fewer than 10 employees, work-study students, interns working for academic credit and certain other employees who are exempt from the New Mexico minimum wage law. If approved, the ordinance will require the minimum wage to be adjusted each year to keep pace with inflation and will also provide for enforcement of the law, including double damages for unpaid wages and forbidding retaliation against employees for exercising their rights to receive the living wage. If approved, the ordinance would take effect on January 1, 2006.

Information about the two City Council approved referendum questions can be accessed through the City Council's legislative portal website at <[www.cabq.gov/council/legportal.html](http://www.cabq.gov/council/legportal.html)>. The full wording of the Albuquerque Living Wage Initiative can be accessed by contacting the Office of City Clerk at **768-3030**.

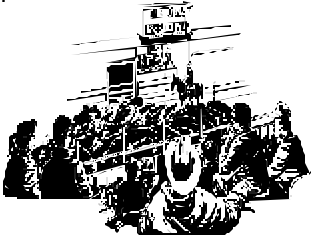

**To vote in the City of Albuquerque's October 4 election, voters must be registered by Tuesday, September 6 at 5 p.m.** Absentee voting in-person begins **Wednesday, September 7**. Early voting in-person starts **Wednesday, September 14** and ends **Friday, September 30, 2005**.

### Tricentennial Event

This **Saturday, September 24, 2005** you are invited to be a part of "All Roads Lead to Albuquerque: A Tricentennial Colloquium Series." Relive our city's 300-year history and multicultural pride; join us at the **Petroglyph National Monument, Visitor Center, located at 6001 Unser Blvd. NW, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon**, and celebrate the Statehood era with a cultural presentation, images, photographs, a book exhibit, and a series of fascinating historical lectures on "Recreational Trails." This is a **free event** for the general public.

### Scheduled Speakers:

**Dr. Matt Schmader**, Superintendent, Open Space Division, City of Albuquerque, "Walking through Time: The Historic Dimensions of Albuquerque's Open Space Trails"; **Jay Blackwood**, Sandia Peak Tram, "Sandia Peak: Shall We Walk up La Luz or Drive around the Mountain? The Trail Systems along Albuquerque's Eastside"; **Diane Souder**, Petroglyph National Monument, National Park Service, "The Bosque, the Conservancy, and Petroglyph National Monument: The Trail Systems along Albuquerque's Westside"; **Judith Espinosa**, Director, The Alliance for Transportation Research Institute, University of New Mexico, "Albuquerque in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Expanding Our Views for Future Recreational Development".

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<b>Thursday, September 22</b> <b>•District 8 Coalition</b> – 7 p.m.	<b>Monday, October 3</b> <b>•City Council – 5 p.m.</b>	<b>Thursday, October 13</b> <b>•GWPB – 8:30 a.m.</b> <b>•TAB – 9:30 a.m.</b> <b>•EPC Study Session</b> – 4 p.m. <b>•POC – 4 p.m</b> <b>•SVC – 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Monday, October 24*</b> <b>•City Council – 5 p.m.</b> (*Tentative)
<b>Monday, September 26</b> <b>•City Council – 5 p.m.*</b> (*Tentative)	<b>Wednesday, October 5</b> <b>•AAB – 9 a.m.</b> <b>•DRB – 9 a.m.</b> <b>•Westside Coalition</b> – 7 p.m.		<b>Tuesday, October 25</b> <b>•BOA – 9 a.m.</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 27</b> <b>•BOA – 9 a.m.</b>	<b>Thursday, October 6</b> <b>•North Valley Coalition – 7 p.m.</b>	<b>Monday, October 17</b> <b>•City Council – 5 p.m.</b>	<b>Wednesday, October 26</b> <b>•DRB – 9 a.m.</b> <b>•LEPC – 9 a.m.</b> <b>•EPC Pre-Hearing</b> – 1:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, September 28</b> <b>•DRB – 9 a.m.</b> <b>•LEPC – 9 a.m.</b>	<b>Monday, October 10</b> <b>•City Council – 5 p.m.</b> <b>•SWAN – 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Tuesday, October 18</b> <b>•GARTC – 4:30 p.m.</b> <b>•ZHE – 9 a.m.</b>	
	<b>Tuesday, October 11</b> <b>•GABAC – 4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Wednesday, October 19</b> <b>•DRB – 9 a.m.</b> <b>•ADC – 3 p.m.</b> <b>•District 4 Coalition</b> – 7 p.m.	
	<b>Wednesday, October 12</b> <b>•DRB – 9 a.m.</b> <b>•LUCC – 3 p.m.</b> <b>•AQCB – 5:15 p.m.</b>	<b>Thursday, October 20</b> <b>•EPC – 8:30 a.m.</b>	

**2005 CALENDAR LEGEND**

**AAB** - Airport Advisory Board, Aviation Department Executive Conference Room, **244-7700**  
**ACTMI** - Advisory Committee on Transit for the Mobility Impaired - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE, **764-8932**  
**ADC** - Albuquerque Development Commission - Hearing Room, Basement Level, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW  
**AQCB** - Air Quality Control Board, Council Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall  
**BOA** - Board of Appeals, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW  
**City Council** - Council/Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall  
**District 4 Coalition** - Cherry Hills Library, 6901 Barstow NE  
**District 6 Coalition** - Cesar Chavez Community Center, 7505 Kathryn SE  
**District 7 Coalition** - Sandia High School, Lecture Hall, 7801 Candelaria NE  
**District 8 Coalition** - James Joseph Dwyer Memorial Substation, 12700 Montgomery NE  
**DRB** -Development Review Board, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second Street NW, Basement Level  
**EPC** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second St. NW, Basement Level  
**EPC Pre-Hearing** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second St. NW, Third Fl. Conf. Room  
**EPC Study Session** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW, Third Fl. Conf. Room  
**GABAC** - Greater Albuquerque Bicycling Advisory Committee, City Hall, Room 302, **768-2680**  
**GARTC** - Greater Albuquerque Recreational Trails Committee - Locations vary, call **768-5308** for information  
**GWPB** - Ground Water Protection Board - Room 302 City/County Building, 400 Marquette NW  
**LEPC** - Local Emergency Planning Committee - 11510 Sunset Gardens SW, **833-7300** or <[www.lepcabqbernco.org](http://www.lepcabqbernco.org)> for more information  
**LUCC** - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second St. NW, Basement Level  
**North Valley Coalition** - Los Griegos Multi-Service Center, 1231 Candelaria NW  
**POC** - Police Oversight Commission, City/County Building, Lower Level, 1 Civic Plaza, 5th and Marquette  
**SVCNA** - South Valley Coalition of Neighborhoods Associations - South Valley BSCO Sheriff's Substation, 2039 Isleta SW.  
**SWAN** - South West Alliance of Neighborhoods, Alamosa Multi-Service Center, 6900 Gonzales SW  
**TAB** - Transit Advisory Board - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE, **764-6121**  
**Westside Coalition** - Taylor Ranch Community Center, 4900 Kachina NW  
**ZHE** - Zoning Hearing Examiner, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW

**EPC Hearing Notice**

Publication of EPC hearing notices in the *Albuquerque Journal* will now occur on the **Wednesday - 22 days prior** to the public hearing on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month**. The hearing notice includes the time, place and date of the hearing along with a brief description of each application on the agenda. Previously, hearing notices were published 15 days before the public hearing. The reason for this change is to meet the advertising requirements for EPC study sessions which occur on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. Rather than advertising the hearing and study session separately, a single notice will be prepared to advertise both. Contact the Planning Department at **924-3860** if you have questions.

**Neighborhood Alert** – Be aware that public comments at EPC Meetings have a time limitation due to the length of the EPC Hearings. The **48-Hour Rule of the EPC:** All written materials and other documents shall be submitted to the Planning Dept. no later than **9 a.m.** on the **Tuesday** of the Public Hearing week. For an Appeal Hearing – no communication with EPC is allowed within five days of the Public Hearing.

**In order to make maximum use of the following information please note:**

- Scan the entire list to see if your neighborhood association has a case this month.
- The name and phone number of the developer/agent is listed so that you can easily contact them should you have any questions.
- The assigned staff planner is identified with each agenda item should you need additional information (i.e., check on the actual placement of your case on the agenda). All staff may be reached at **924-3860**.
- On the day of the Hearing, call Planning at **924-3860** and the receptionist will give you the status of the Hearing.
- Staff reports are available at the Planning Office beginning at **3 p.m.** on the **Thursday** prior to the EPC Hearing.

On the **2nd Thursday of each month**, the EPC has a Study Session to review the applications scheduled for the all-day public hearing which occurs on the **3rd Thursday of each month**. As with the Public Hearing, **the public is invited** to attend the Study Sessions; however, Study Sessions do not provide an open forum. Discussion is limited to staff and the EPC. Study Sessions regularly begin at **4 p.m.** in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room. Please call the Planning Department at **924-3860** to confirm the Study Session schedule as adjustments are made occasionally.

Please note that the **Pre-Hearing Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, September 21, 2005 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **Thursday, October 20, 2005 at 8:30 a.m.** in the Plaza del Sol (basement) Hearing Room for the following cases:

**Northwest**

**Skies West, Tuscany (neighborhood association); 05EPC-01380, Project #1004313 (case #'s);** Approximately nineteen (19) acre(s) located on the west side of Unser Boulevard NW between McMahon Boulevard NW and Bandelier Drive NW (**location of request**); A-11 (**zone atlas page #**); Phillips Edison and Company at **801-983-6313**, agent for Robert Sherry (**applicant or agency and phone #**); Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Subdivision to construct a 166,000 square foot of retail shopping center which will include a grocery store, general retail, restaurants and service uses (**action requested**); David Stallworth at **924-3940 (city staff planner)**.

**Southwest**

**Stinson Tower, Westgate Heights; 05EPC-01387, Project #1000766;** Approximately five (5) acres located on the north side of Tower Road SW between Tower Road SW and Unser Boulevard SW; L-10; Mullen Heller Architecture P.C. at **268-4144**, agent for Mullen Heller Architecture P.C.; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Building Permit for a proposed two (2) phase project consisting of a Phase I - 26,088 square foot office building, one-story with parking and Phase II - of a small retail or office development on the south side; Stephanie Shumsky at **924-3933**.

**Westgate Heights; 05EPC-01388, 01389, 01391, Project #1001443;** Approximately twenty-nine (29) acres located on the south side of Gibson Boulevard SW between 98th Street SW and Amole Arroyo Drainage; N-9; Consensus Planning, Inc. at **764-9801**, agent for Longford Homes of New Mexico; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Subdivision and Building Permit and a Zone Map Amendment from SU-1 and R-2 and RT to SU-1 for C-1 uses for a single family homes located within a gated community; David Stallworth at **924-3940**.

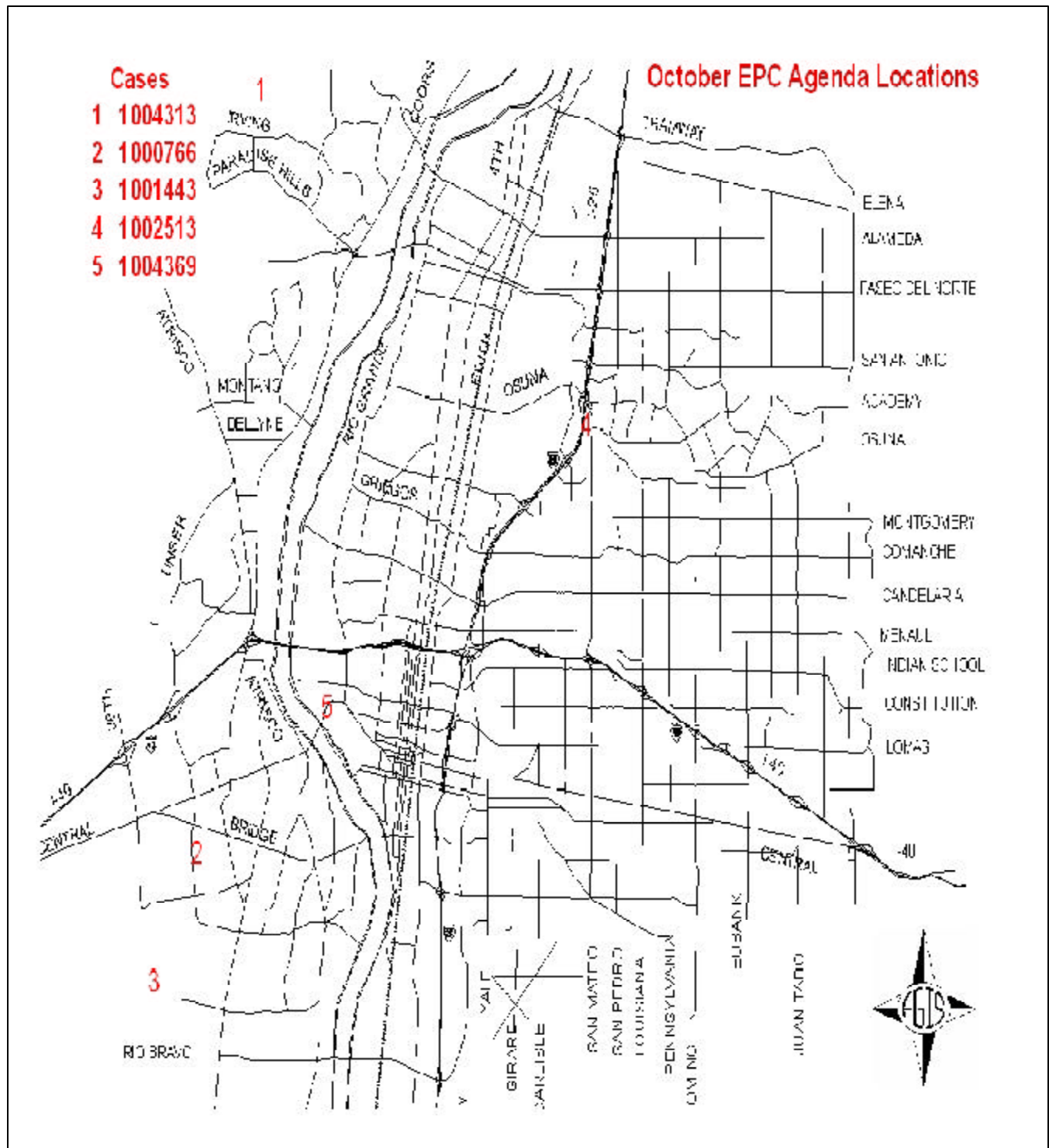
**Huning Castle, West Park; 05EPC-01392 and 01393, Project #1004369;** Approximately two (2) acres located on the east side of Central Avenue SW between New York Avenue SW and the Albuquerque Country Club; J-12; Consensus Planning, Inc. at **764-9801**, agent for Richard Gonzales; Requests approval of a Zone Map Amendment from C-2 to R-T and an EPC Sector Development Plan for the development of ten (10) town homes; Stephanie Shumsky at **924-3933**.



## Northeast

**Academy Acres North; 05EPC-01390, Project #1002513;** Approximately nine (9) acres located on the east side of San Mateo Boulevard NE between Osuna Road NE and I-25 Freeway NE; E-17; Dekker/Perich/Sabatini at **761-9700**, agent for Sandia Federation; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Building Permit for a proposed Vehicle Sale lot; Catalina Lehner at **924-3935**.

**EPC Case Reference Map**  
(\*Not to scale, for reference purposes only\*)



**Water Utility, Wastewater Division**

*Submitted by Brynda Gutierrez*

**Protecting The Rio Grande**

Many of us know traffic laws, but did you know there is an ordinance that governs what can be discharged into the sewer collection system? The purpose of the **City of Albuquerque's Sewer Use & Wastewater Control Ordinance** is to ultimately protect the Rio Grande.

The Ordinance lists 23 different pollutants of concern, and their allowable concentrations. The *Daily Maximum Composite Sample Concentration Limits* for the pollutants of concern are listed on the City's website at:

[<www.cabq.gov/p2>](http://www.cabq.gov/p2)

Basically, solutions with heavy metals, solvents, oil, hazardous chemicals, and animal or vegetable grease should not be discharged to the collection system. Businesses that would like a copy of the Ordinance can call the City's Industrial Pretreatment Section at **873-7004** to request a copy.

The **Sewer Use & Wastewater Control Ordinance** also helps to protect collection system personnel, wastewater treatment operators, and the treatment plant.

Below are some tips for handling household hazardous chemicals:

- ◆ Keep products in original containers.
- ◆ Buy only the amount of a product needed.
- ◆ Share unused products with friends, neighbors, or local groups.
- ◆ Never burn or bury hazardous waste; this can cause water and air pollution.
- ◆ Never pour hazardous waste down street drains, storm sewers, dump along roadside, or down household drains.
- ◆ Never mix wastes; this may cause an explosion, or an even more hazardous product.
- ◆ Do not use hazardous waste containers for food.

If you have hazardous wastes that need disposal, the Environmental Health Department (EHD) has a **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center (HHWCC)**. Homeowners in Bernalillo County can call the HHWCC at **345-1650** for location, days and time of operation. HHWCC also has a chemical exchange program.

Call EHD at **768-2600** or the p2 Program at **873-7058** if you are unsure about how to handle a waste. Improper disposal of household hazardous waste can put you in violation of the **City's Sewer Use Ordinance**, increase wastewater treatment costs, and harm the environment.

**Albuquerque Bernalillo County**

**Water Utility Department**

*Submitted by John Stomp*

**San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project  
Status Report**

Many of the transmission pipelines projects are under construction and I'm sure that many of you have noticed the construction and traffic delays. We are primarily working on the westside (Sequoia Road), but recently started a pipeline project on Singer Road and Edith Boulevard. We anticipate to be finished with the work on Sequoia west of Coors towards the end of September 2005 and the remaining work on Sequoia (with the exception of the pipeline crossing the Rio Grande) by the end of the year.

The work on Singer is scheduled to be complete by the end of September, but will continue along the Interstate 25 Frontage Road north of Osuna. The pipeline will be bored and jacked under I-25 and will continue east on Osuna to San Pedro. The pipeline that connects to this line at Osuna/San Pedro will begin construction in October and will continue south on San Pedro to just north on Candelaria (complete sometime next summer). The work on Edith will continue north from Candelaria to just south of Montano for about six months.

In addition to the transmission pipelines, the water treatment plant, diversion and raw water intake structure are currently under construction. The diversion project will be complete in April 2006 with the water treatment plant complete in late 2007 or early 2008. I apologize for all of the traffic delays and other construction impacts, but this project is very important to protect and preserve the aquifer and is our long-term supply. Thanks for your patience. For additional information, please see our website [<sjcdinkingwaterproject.com>](http://sjcdinkingwaterproject.com) or call our hotline at **242-ROAD**. You can always call me at **768-3631** and I would be glad to provide an update.



# CITY SCOOP

## News From City Departments

### Albuquerque Animal Care Center

*Submitted by Oscar Solis*

#### AACC Field Operations - An Excellent Resource For Humane Education

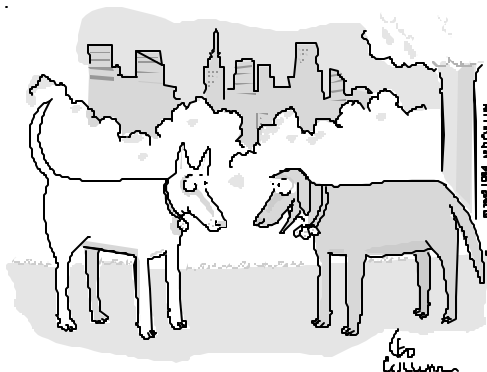
One aspect of public safety that many neighborhoods deal with is the protection of people and animals. In response to these types of issues, the City of Albuquerque Animal Care Center (AACC) Field Operations offer numerous services to help keep communities and animals safe.

AACC field officers provide animal and public safety, and promote humane treatment of animals through enforcement of the City Animal Ordinance to protect animals from neglect and abuse, protect residents from annoyance and injury, and encourage responsible ownership of animals as pets.

One way they provide this service is through Neighborhood Association meetings. This is a wonderful opportunity for communities to come out and meet the AACC field officers who patrol their areas and gain education on keeping their neighborhoods and their pets safe. AACC field officers will often offer tips on responsible pet ownership and the importance of spay and neuter by referring to the City Animal Ordinance. AACC believes that knowledge of City animal policies would result in an enhanced community effort in keeping pets from running loose and ending up in shelters.

Some other major issues field officers address when educating citizens on animal well-being include positive pet identification, bite prevention, barking dog complaints, and the importance of pet vaccinations, animal abuse, neglect and cruelty investigations.

If you would like for an AACC field officer to address animal concerns and offer safety tips for keeping the community and animals safe at your Neighborhood Association meeting, or if you would like to report a lost or stray animal, contact **768-1975**.



### Cultural Services

#### Anderson-Abruzzo International Balloon Museum

#### Grand Opening Day Saturday, October 1, 2005

A significant addition to the City's remarkable cultural resources, the Balloon Museum will include exhibits depicting the very beginnings of ballooning, contemporary ballooning and record making "firsts" including exhibits on the first balloon to cross the Atlantic, the Double Eagle II, and the first-crossing of the Pacific by Double Eagle V. The mission of the museum is to interpret the art, history, science and culture of ballooning through engaging exhibits and educational programs to enhance our collections. The museum encompasses an international, national and regional perspective demonstrating the global development of ballooning achievements, and visitors of all ages will marvel at the scope of the collection.

The Balloon Museum is a part of the City's Department of Cultural Services. It is funded by the City of Albuquerque and is supported in part by the State of New Mexico and the Anderson-Abruzzo International Balloon Museum Foundation.

#### Location

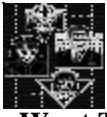
The Anderson - Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum is a magnificent, two-story, steel and glass building rising up from the fields west of I-25 between Alameda and Tramway. The Museum features a spectacular view of the Sandia Mountains.

#### Be a Museum Volunteer during Balloon Fiesta!

This October 1, the Anderson-Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum takes flight! Our historic Grand Opening coincides with the annual Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. **The Balloon Museum's goal is to recruit 100 volunteers per day for Fiesta week!** Be a one time volunteer or you can join us all year long as we showcase the adventurous spirit, endeavors and achievements of ballooning. For volunteer information, call Lorrie Welby, Program Coordinator on Volunteerism, **505-768-6028**, <lwelby@cabq.gov>.







## APD Crime Prevention 505-924-3600

*Submitted By Steve Sink*

### Want To Learn More About Law Enforcement, Crime Prevention And Your Community?

Consider attending the following conferences. On **Wednesday, October 12, 2005** the **New Mexico Crime Prevention Association** is hosting their **fall conference at El Pinto Restaurant from 8:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** (Registration is from 8:00 – 8:45 a.m.). Cost for the conference is \$15.00 for all Neighborhood Association members and Neighborhood Watch Block Captains and includes a buffet lunch at the restaurant. The agenda will cover Women's Safety with Trish Hoffman, Domestic Violence by the NM Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Crime Victim's Reparation Commission, Mental Health issues by APD Crisis Intervention Team and Behavioral Science Unit and a discussion with a member of the US Attorney's Office about Crime Prevention and Homeland Security.

The Albuquerque Block Captains Association (ABCA) is celebrating their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by hosting their fall conference on **Saturday, October 22 at the APD Academy from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Registration is at 9 a.m.)** All Neighborhood Watch Block Captains should attend this informative conference. We would also like to extend an invitation to all citizens interested in topics relevant to their neighborhood and community. If you are a Block Captain and would like to join ABCA, the membership fee is \$8.50/year, which includes the conference and can be paid during registration. All other citizens can attend for the same amount. Topics include the APD Party Patrol, Crime Stoppers and Auto Theft Prevention.

Please call the **APD Crime Prevention Unit** at **924-3600** for questions about each conference and for specific registration information.

### Office of the City Clerk

*Submitted by Judy N. Chavez, City Clerk*

Dear Neighborhood Association Representatives,

I would like to take this opportunity to provide your neighborhood association with precinct polling location information that may impact some districts for the **Regular Municipal Election, scheduled for October 4, 2005**. The same consolidated precinct locations will also be utilized for the possible runoff election November 15, 2005. Enclosed is the complete list of consolidated polling locations for Election Day. The polling site changes listed below are due to either an increase of voter registration, some City facilities closed for renovation, a private location unavailable on Election Day:

**District #1** - CP003 Precinct 40, previously at **West Mesa Community Center**, will be voting at **John Adams Middle School**.

**District #2** - CP030 Precincts 163, 164; previously at **Wells Park Community Center**, will be voting at **Friends Meeting House**.

**District #3** - CP039 and CP040 Precincts 241, 242, 243; previously at **Heights Community Center** will be voting at **Lowell Elementary School**.

**District #7** - CP123 Precinct 403, previously at **Palo Duro Senior Center** will be voting at **Erna Fergusson Library**.

**District #9** - CP158 and CP159 Precincts 289, 290, 294, 333; previously at **Four Hills Country Club**, will be voting at **Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center**.

**District #5** - CP073 and CP074 both previously at **Cibola High School**, will be combined with **Seven Bar Elementary School** as follows:

CP073 Precincts 19, 87, 116; will vote at **Cibola High School**

**AND**

CP074 Precincts 2, 3, 89; will vote at **Seven Bar Elementary School**

**On Election Day the polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.** If a translator is needed on Election Day, please contact the Office of the City Clerk **Monday, October 3, 2005 at 505-768-3030**.

**Absentee ballot applications** may be obtained as of **August 30, 2005**, from the Office of the City Clerk, One Civic Plaza NW, 11th Floor, Room 11110, or by calling **768-3030**. Completed absentee ballots must be returned to the Office of the City Clerk no later than **October 4, 2005 by 7 p.m.**

**Absentee Voting in-person** will be held from **Wednesday, September 7 through September 13, 2005**, and **Early Voting In-Person from September 14 through September 30, 2005**. Voters will be allowed to early vote at the Office of the City Clerk or the City of Albuquerque Record Center from **8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday**. Voters may early vote on **Saturday, September 17 and 24 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**, only at the Record Center site location. The Office of the City Clerk is located in the City/County Government Center, 11th Floor, **505-768-3030**. The City of Albuquerque Record Center is located at 604 Menaul NW, **505-243-0781**.

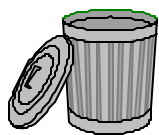
**A runoff election will be held November 15, 2005**, for the offices of Mayor and City Councilor for each office **where no candidate receives at least 40 percent** of the vote at the October 4, 2005 Election. The two candidates with the most votes will be the only candidates for such office to appear on the runoff election ballot.

Thank you for this opportunity in allowing me to share this information with you. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call my office at **768-3030**.



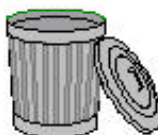
**Make sure to read the CIP GO bond  
Package included on the front  
pages of this edition!**





## Talkin' Trash

*Submitted by Tina Trekker*



In this month's newsletter, Mayor Martin J. Chávez discusses the importance of volunteerism and how volunteering in the community, either as an individual or as a neighborhood association, helps make Albuquerque a better place to live. Those who have joined the Mayor and me in the fight against litter couldn't agree more.

The effectiveness of the Mayor's Anti-Litter Initiative depends on volunteers and those civic groups who routinely dedicate their time to pick up litter on an ongoing basis and/or join in special communitywide pick-ups. Also, it takes the support of local businesses volunteering to clean up the areas around their spaces, even if they are not obligated to do so under a lease. And, of course, it takes neighborhoods stepping up to keep their streets, medians and parks clean of trash. While the Clean City Team and other City of Albuquerque employees do much in their capacity to keep Albuquerque sparkling like the diamond on the Rio Grande it is, any community can never look as good as it can without volunteers and the continued support of organizations committing to the cause. Litter is everyone's problem, and everyone is its solution.

Mayor Chávez also mentions the upcoming "Make a Difference Day". You should shortly be receiving a letter in the mail explaining in more detail how your Association can get involved in these nationwide days of service. How about a neighborhood weed and litter pickup as your community service event? It would be a great launch for those Associations that have not yet signed on as partners in the Anti-Litter Initiative. Afterwards, you can contact the Clean Team and agree to keep your neighborhood beautiful for a monetary incentive.

I understand and appreciate the fact that Neighborhood Associations are, essentially, a group of volunteers who are committed to their communities. But issue-oriented volunteerism, like helping to pick up weeds and litter in your area, is a great and fun way to engage more neighbors in your Association's attempts to improve your neighborhood, the environment, and the pride and teamwork of your organization.

So thanks to all of Albuquerque's wonderful volunteers, and please consider making your next community service effort one that Restores the Beauty!



## Bel-Air Neighborhood Cleans Up!

For the past 10 years, the Bel-Air Neighborhood Association has been organizing neighborhood cleanups. These cleanups are held from 8 a.m. - 10 a.m., once a month from May through September. Each month, **15 Solid Waste trucks** park at a central location within the association boundaries. Ms. Lee Julian, Vice President, says, "people are lined up well before 8 a.m., with a constant flow of items being dumped through 10 a.m." The association disposes of **10 TONS** of refuse each month, during their cleanup season - including couches, appliances, household trash, weeds and litter. They do not accept toxic materials or electronics.

The neighborhood association also has its own contingency of over 70 volunteers who arrange to pick up items that cannot be delivered to the cleanup area. Volunteers drive their private vehicles to individual residences and pickup large, unwanted items that residents cannot get to the clean up site. Volunteers also arrange "alley pickups" for neighbors who can get their refuse only as far as the alley.

Albuquerque Code Enforcement (zoning) began conducting "sweeps" of the Bel-Air area and has removed over 175 inoperable vehicles. Vice President, Ms. Lee Julian said, "all these cleanups and sweeps have had a very positive effect on her neighborhood."

For information on getting your neighborhood back in shape, call the Solid Waste Management Department at **761-8100**. For information on recycling electronic equipment, call Katherine Martinez at **893-3372**.

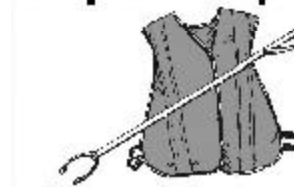
**Thanks For Your Efforts  
Keep Up The Great Work Bel-Air!**

**Pick it up now.**



**Restore the Beauty**

**Or pick it up later.**



**Restore the Beauty**  
You can help. Adopt-an-Area.  
Call Clean City Division  
857-8060 for more information.  
[WWW.CABQ.GOV/SOLIDWASTE](http://WWW.CABQ.GOV/SOLIDWASTE)

## Planning Department

*Submitted by Ed Boles, Historic Preservation*

### Local Albuquerque Spanish Revival Style Houses In Restoration Magazine

Pictures of two houses in Albuquerque neighborhoods are included in an article in the October 2005 issue of Old House Journal ("The Original Restoration Magazine"). The article, "American Houses, Spanish Styles", is by James C. Massey and Shirley Maxwell, who visited Albuquerque earlier this summer. They describe several revival styles seen in Spanish-inspired houses here and around the U.S., such as Mission Revival, Spanish Colonial Revival, Pueblo Revival, and Territorial (New Mexico) Revival and Monterey Revival. The article's photos also show houses in California, Texas, Oklahoma, Florida, and even Virginia.

One of the article's local houses is in the Monte Vista and College View Historic District of the Nob Hill Sector at 448 Hermosa NE.



**448 Hermosa NE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico**

## Advance Planning Division

*Submitted by Paula Donahue*

### We Need Your Help To Improve The SW Area!

Mayor Martin Chávez and the City of Albuquerque Planning Department invite you to join a planning team for southwest Albuquerque. The team will include area residents, property owners, business owners, area schools, city departments, local agencies, Architectural Research Consultants and subconsultants, and a UNM Graduate Planning Studio.

The team will identify and analyze area strengths and weaknesses and recommend appropriate projects, programs, and amendments to City regulations and plans. In fall 2006, recommendations will be submitted to the Planning Commission and Council for consideration.

The first step will be for neighborhood associations and schools to help plan tours of all the neighborhoods between Central

Avenue, Dennis Chavez Boulevard, Coors Road, and 118<sup>th</sup> Street. Tours will occur in October.

We would like your suggestions to name this very large area. Some recommendations are Southwest Heights, Southwest Mesa Slope, and Southwest Slope.

If you wish to receive more information about how to get involved or want to submit a suggested name for the area please contact the project manager: **Paula Donahue, Senior Planner, 924-3932, <pdonahue@cabq.gov>, City of Albuquerque, Planning Department, 600 Second Street NW, Third Floor, Albuquerque, NM 87102.**

## AGIS Division

(Albuquerque Geographic Information System)

*Submitted by Tom Golden*

### New Neighborhood Association Boundary Mapping Capabilities on AGIS

Maps of individual neighborhood associations are now available online <<http://www.cabq.gov/planning/agis/nbrmaps.html>> and through the Office of Neighborhood Coordination. The maps are Acrobat Reader PDF, 11x17 in size, but can be reduced using Acrobat Reader to print on 8.5x11.

The City's Planning Department honors their own by participating in the Employee Incentive Award Program. Department employees are nominated by their peers for outstanding public service.



**The 2005 Employee Incentive Team**



**Al Soto**

Senior Project Manager  
Albuquerque Metropolitan  
Redevelopment Agency  
"Outstanding efforts and  
quality of work."



**Tom Golden**

AGIS Specialist  
"High quality of work and  
innovative ideas."



**Vern Smith**

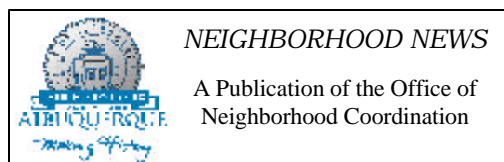
Building Inspector  
"Outstanding work and  
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**\*\* SUBMISSIONS ARE DUE BY  
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University of New Mexico rugby players prepare for upcoming home matches against New Mexico State (Oct 1) and Colorado State (Oct 29) during Tricentennial's Sports Month in October. Matches are held at Johnson Field on the UNM campus

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